

# Blue River Church of Christ

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## Worship Times

**Sunday**  
Bible Study 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 8:30 &  
10:45 a.m.  
**Wednesday**  
Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

<b>Elders</b>	Earl Fultz John Owen	Russ Simmons Jan Sullivan
<b>Deacons</b>	David Blankenship David Foster Darren Herrmann Jack Hudkins	Aaron Palmer Sean Turner Paul Walker
<b>Pulpit Minister</b>	Darin Kennedy dkennedy@bluerivercofc.org	
<b>Family Life Minister</b>	Shane Hall shall@bluerivercofc.org	

Statistics for March 26, 2017 Attendance	89 + 163 = 252
Contribution	\$5,939.09
Weekly Average Contribution Needed to Meet Budget	\$5,989
Average Actual Year to Date Weekly Giving	\$5,555

## Downtown Church of Christ Food for Life

They have need for: Ramen noodles, pasta and rice meals, peanut butter, jelly, Kool-Aid, canned or packaged tuna, canned chicken, Vienna sausages, Jell-O, cornbread mix, snack bars, diet drink packets, pork & beans, oatmeal, taco seasoning, gravy mix, spaghetti mix, tomato sauce, canned fruit, small packs of instant potatoes. Please leave all donations in the office.

**Prayer Warriors** are waiting to hear from you. This group of caring people will pray for you and your request. Go to the BRCC website and leave a message. You may remain anonymous. Don't carry that burden alone. Let the power of prayer work in your life.

April 2, 2017

# BLUE RIVER

## Church of Christ

### Order of Worship

**8:30**

#470 "Victory in Jesus"

*Prayer* Steve Etter

*Scripture* Tony Pollard  
Proverbs 9

#490 "It Is Well with My Soul"  
"Down in the River to Pray"

*Lord's Supper*  
David Blankenship

*The Bread*  
*The Cup*

*Giving*

#957 "This World Is Not My Home"

*Power Kids Dismissed*

*Lesson* Darin Kennedy  
"Great Change: Axis of Evil"

"Amazing Grace"

*Shepherd's Prayer* Jan Sullivan

*Final Charge* 1 John 5:21

*Songs Led By* Ryan Smith

**10:45**

#470 "Victory in Jesus"  
"Amazing Grace"

*Prayer* Jack Hudkins

*Scripture* Larry Sullivan  
Proverbs 9

"Let Us Break Bread Together"  
#490 "It Is Well with My Soul"

*Lord's Supper*  
David Keller

*The Bread*  
*The Cup*

*Giving*

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### **Prayer List**

Remember to pray for our **college students** who are attending college locally and away. Continued prayers for **Mark & Jenny Swartz, Kelly Seuferling, Sherril Sego, Sherry Owen, Bernie Standiford, Michael May, Jerry John, Eloise Staley, Lena Bramlett, Dave Nash, Liz Church, Holly Hadley, Doris Buys, Marie Nash, Grover Renick, Gary & Beverly Campbell, Keith & Jurhee Bench, Donna Kerns and Evelyn Campbell.**

### **Mowing Needs**

We are looking for volunteers to help mow the grounds. If you are willing to help, please contact **Mike Newbury** at 816-853-6900 or by email at mcnewbs@outlook.com.

### **Small Group Update**

**Attention** small group that meets here at the building on Sunday nights – please note the time change to **5:00pm**. The time change is effective **today!**

### **Annual Easter Egg Hunt**

**Sunday, April 16 (12:00)** – Please join us for an Easter Egg Hunt following the 10:45am service. If you would like to donate (plastic eggs filled with wrapped candy), please bring the labeled items to the church office.

### **Oklahoma Christian Chorale Concert**

They will be here at the building to perform for us at 7:00pm. Also we need willing hosts to put them up Saturday night, feed them breakfast, and have them back on Sunday. Sign-up sheets are on our website and bulletin board.

### **Youth Bible Camp**

**July 5-9 (ages 9-18)** @Camp Imprint. The registration deadline is June 22, and the cost is \$115. There are scholarships available.

### **Maker Fun Factory VBS**

**July 23-27 (ages 6<sup>th</sup> grade and under).** If you would like to volunteer, please see **Shane or Jen Hall.**

### **Family Float Trip**

Registration forms have been placed on the bulletin board located in the foyer. If you would like to attend the family float trip, please fill out a form and submit it to **John Wubbenhorst** by **April 15**. The float dates are **July 30-August 1**.

## **The Preacher's Post – *Darin Kennedy***

Discipleship seems to make a difference when things are going well. If you get a promotion at work, you attribute it to God working in your life. If you get noticed by someone for an achievement, you are thankful that God allowed you to be a witness. If a stranger compliments you for saying a prayer in a restaurant or for how you handle your kids, you are glad you could demonstrate faith. If you score a touchdown or hit a home run or hit a game-winning three pointer, you can point to the sky, and Facebook will be all aflutter with how wonderful a Christian you are.

But what is your witness when you have messed up, when you have embarrassed yourself, when you have publicly sinned? And I do not mean that this is a story about turning things around, brushing yourself off, and getting things back to a success again, so that your faith gets you back on top. I mean, there is no way to fix things, no way to make another good impression because you will never see those people again, no way to turn back time and erase what has been done. What will your discipleship be like then?

I had one of those embarrassing moments this week. I was in a parking lot and backed into another car. No one was in the car, and no one was hurt, but as soon as I hit it I had that feeling that I had done something I could not take back. I would not see this person after this occasion, insurance being able to handle everything, so this would be the impression they would have of me—a clumsy oaf who needs to get his head straight. Sure they would get their bumper fixed, but I had put on them the burden of taking a lot of time and effort to contact the insurance company, schedule a repair, go without a car for a day or two, etc. You know how much of a hassle fixing a car can be. How do you be a witness then?

I went back inside, found the man who owned the car, and made my confession. He remained calm, but his face showed frustration and anger, and I wondered what kind of confrontation this would be. We went out to the car and saw the square foot of damage on the bumper. I did all I knew to do: get out my insurance card quickly, write down all the information quickly, apologize for the inconvenience, look him in the eye, shake his hand, make sure he could say everything he needed to say (which was, to his credit, kind and forgiving), and leave. I made no effort to complain about anything, took all the blame, and acted responsibly, as I also did with my insurance company when they called me after he made the claim.

I do not claim to have made any difference, but I at least tried to be faithful. I am thankful to have a faith that empowers me to apologize, to maintain peace, to tell the truth, and to move on to the next situation, which I might possibly...or rather...will probably mess up. I can only hope that God works through our worst moments.

### **Sunday Morning Nursery Attendants**

April 2

1<sup>st</sup> Service  
2<sup>nd</sup> Service

Sherry & Cara Owen  
Liddy Miller